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TITLE: MASS SPECTROMETER SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
MATRIX-ASSISTED LASER DESORPTION MEASUREMENTS**Box MISSING PARTS**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on February 5, 2001, Applicant submits this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment. Applicant submits herewith a single-sided copy of the specification and claims of the originally issued patent in double column format, an Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449, and a copy of a Substitute Reissue Oath/Declaration of Sole Inventor from the immediately prior reissue application, i.e., U.S. Serial No. 09/038,324. Applicant also submits a check in the amount of \$840.00 to cover the basic filing fee and surcharge for the late filing fee.

Claim 1 is pending. Claims 2-74 were previously canceled without prejudice. Applicant cancels without prejudice claim 1. Applicant introduces new claims 75-94. Consequently, claims 75-94 will be pending for examination after entry of this Amendment.

**AMENDMENT****To the Claims**

Please cancel without prejudice claim 1.